1	2	3	4	5
15.	Meghalaya	282362	156646	55.48
16.	Mizoram	110570	74154	67.07
17.	Nagaland$$	146615	88541	60.39
18.	Orissa*$$	6790202	4445736	65.50
19.	Punjab	2330725	650209	27.90
20.	Rajasthan	6768541	2097560	30.99
21.	Sikkim	NR	NR	—
22.	Tamil Nadu	9388118	2737921	29.16
23.	Tripura	595397	397798	66.81
24.	Uttar Pradesh	20430204	7541494	36.91
25.	West Bengal	11076686	4918296	44.40
26.	A and N Island	NR	6421	—
27.	D. and N Haveli	26237	17231	65.67
28.	Daman and Diu	10735	395	3.68
29.	Lakshadweep	8625	885	10.26
30.	Pondicherry	133555	63262	47.26
	All India	130615558	53847442	41.23

*Provisional $$Rural Household
NR- Not Reported

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1793. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) when the first Indian Rural Development Report indicating poverty was released;

(b) when the next report will be released;

(c) whether the first report indicates decline in poverty;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the efforts being made to reduce poverty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) The first "India Rural Development Report-1999" was released by NIRD in February, 2000.

(b) The second Report is expected to be published in 2002.

(c) Yes, Sir. The report has indicated clearly the decline in poverty from 56.44% in 1973-74 to 37.27% in 1993-94.

(d) State-wise details are given in the Statement (*see* below).

(e) The Ministry of Rural Development has launched Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) to bring the poor families assisted under the Yojana above the poverty line by providing them income generating assets. In addition, the other programmes of the Ministry *viz.*, Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS), Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY), Rural Connectivity (RC), Drinking Water, Wasteland Development, Watershed Development and Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana contribute to reduction of poverty. Also, the Ministry is laying emphasis on the involvement of Panchayati Raj Institutions, so that the Rural Development Programmes are implemented effectively and the intended benefits reach the target groups.

Statement

State-wise percentage of population below the poverty line (Modified expert Group).

Sl.No.	State	1973-74	1993-94
1.	Andhra Pradesh	48.41.	15.92
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	52.67	45.01
3.	Assam	52.67	45.01
4.	Bihar	62.99	58.21
5.	Goa	46.85	5.34
6.	Gujarat	46.35	22.18
7.	Haryana	34.23	28.02
8.	Himachal Pradesh	27.42	30.34
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	45.51	30.34

Sl.No.	State	1973-74	1993-94
10.	Karnataka	55.14	29.88
11.	Kerala	59.19	25.76
12.	Madhya Pradesh	62.66	40.64
13.	Maharashtra	57.71	37.93
14.	Manipur	52.67	45.01
15.	Meghalaya	52.67	45.01
16.	Mizoram	52.67	45.01
17.	Nagaland	52.67	45.01
18.	Orissa	67.28	49.72
19.	Punjab	28.21	11.95
20.	Rajasthan	44.76	26.46
21.	Sikkim	52.67	45.01
22.	Tamil Nadu	57.43	32.48
23.	Tripura	52.67	45.01
24.	Uttar Pradesh	56.53	42.28
25.	West Bengal	73.16	40.80
26.	A & N Islands	57.43	32.48
27.	Chandigarh	27.96	11.35
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haweli	46.85	51.95
29.	Daman & Diu	—	5.34
30.	Delhi	24.44	1.90
31.	Lakshadweep	59.19	25.76
32.	Pondicherry	57.43	32.48
	ALL INDIA:	56.44	37.27